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MORPHOLOGY PROGRESS

ADVANCED COURSE PROVING POPULAR

Prof. Houser an Authority on Comparative Neurology—Valuable Pieces of Apparatus Added to Equipment

The department of morphology is offering this year for the first time a third year course. It has met with decided encouragement in this departure.

Embryology is the study of the early stages in the development of animal forms. Two year's work in this subject have been all that were offered in the past by the department of morphology, but this year a third year's work in morphology has been offered. The work of this advanced course is concerned with comparative neurology. The offering of this course was only rendered possible by increased laboratory facilities and by additions to the teaching staff of the department. These changes have allowed Prof. Houser to devote a larger part of his time to more advanced work in morphology and to offer this course in comparative neurology.

The course has been cordially greeted in the matter of attendance and has proved very popular. It consists in regularly organized work, judiciously mingled with individual investigation under the supervision of the professor in charge.

Professor Houser is one of the pioneers in the United States in investigating the field of comparative neurology. Not only in original laboratory work but by copious writings on the subject, has he contributed to the mass of scientific knowledge on this new and interesting branch of scientific research. This subject from its relative novelty has not the attention it should receive in the universities of the country.

NEW APPARATUS

A large laboratory incubator was heated up yesterday for the first time in the morphology laboratory. The interesting fact about this piece of laboratory apparatus is its inside arrangement. The ordinary incubator is fitted with large trays on which the eggs, under observation, are placed.

The objects of experiment of many students being promiscuously deposited in this way in the incubator, many cases occurred where by mistake one student would take up the eggs another was working on. This caused great inconvenience and loss of time on the part of the more rapid students who were likely to have their work ruined by careless treatment. Prof. Houser has the trays in the new incubator fitted with small wire baskets of convenient size for the use of one student. In this way each student is provided with a separate basket in which to keep the eggs he is working with. He can take out his own tray and

study the eggs in it without interfering with the work of others.

Another interesting and valuable piece of apparatus lately added to the equipment of the laboratory is a suspended Pantograph for enlarging drawings. With this valuable and delicate piece of scientific mechanism a very small pen drawing can be enlarged to many times its original proportions. In this way small charts and drawings can be enlarged so as to be exhibited to the class without the use of the stereopticon which is always attended with many disagreeable features.

Y. M. C. A. Nominations

The following nominations have been made for the positions in the Y. M. C. A. cabinet. The election will take place tomorrow, Saturday, at 1.30 p. m. at Close Hall.

President, W. N. Ball; vice-presidents, college of liberal arts, E. R. Jackson, college of law, Nyle Jones, college of medicine, A. R. Hoover, college of dentistry, H. E. Gibbs; recording secretary, L. I. Reed; corresponding secretary, C. P. Schenk; treasurer, C. A. Noland.

Annual Half Printed

Eleven forms or 176 pages of the 1904 Hawkeye are already "off the press." The book will contain 335 pages of reading matter exclusive of advertising. This is from thirty to forty pages more than any Hawkeye since 1896 when the management issued a very fine book, the cost of which was greater than the receipts. Since that date the size and appearance of the book have been reduced, sometimes to an undue degree, by business managers who feared "going in the hole."

Germaine Cut Out

The entertainment by Germaine the sleight of hand artist which was scheduled on the Y. M. C. A. lecture course to take place tonight will not be given. The De Barrie Gills concert was given in its place. There will be two more entertainments on the course.

Three Gain Letters

According to the recommendations of the coach and captain of the football team, the board of athletic control at their last meeting granted the varsity "I" to L. P. Donovan, James Walker and H. Clyde Ochiltree.

Iowan Board

The IOWAN Board will meet in the northwest room, old capitol at 1:00 p. m. tomorrow, Saturday.

The March number of the University News-Bulletin was issued today.

RARE FORM OF TUMOR

EFFECT ON METABOLISM INVESTIGATED

Prof. Bierring and Assistants Doing Interesting Original Work in Pathological Laboratory

Recently at one of Prof. Jepson's surgical clinics, a rare form of tumor was removed from a female patient past middle age from the region of the kidney. This tumor was diagnosed, Hypernephroma before the operation. This neoplasm grows usually from the supra-renal body, a ductless gland situated just above the kidney. The tumor removed by Prof. Jepson is one of the largest that has ever been recorded, being 9 inches long, 7 inches wide five inches in thickness and weighs 1630 grams or nearly 4½ pounds. It was of a mottled reddish color with areas of yellowish pigmentation scattered here and there over the surface. This latter feature is quite characteristic of tumors of this nature and origin. It grew from the upper part of the left kidney destroying a very small portion of the parenchyma.

The specimen is interesting both from a clinical and pathological standpoint, the latter is especially interesting on account of the special cellular characteristics and numerous special and specific reactions recognized by chemical tests and use of the microscope.

Since the removal of this tumor at the university hospital it has been the subject of special investigation in the pathological laboratory and some very interesting and original results have been obtained. These experiments were carried on by Dr. Henry Albert and Mr. Charles I. Lambert under the direction of Prof. Bierring. The results of these tests have been positive and the above named gentlemen deserve much credit for the scientific manner in which this work has been carried out. Permanent microscopical preparations illustrative of the various micro-chemical reactions have been made. The methods of making a number of these permanent preparations were originated in our own laboratory.

No Basketball Game

The arrangements which were pending for a basketball game with the University of Minnesota to be played today in Minneapolis have fallen through. It is possible the team may go to Minnesota at a later date. The Gophers were able to schedule the Kansas University team for today with a less guarantee and did so.

The next probabilities in the basketball line are: a game with Coe College here on March 13, and another game in the home gymnasium with Monmouth College team on March 27.

MEANING OF WORDS

G. T. Flom Speaks on Semasiology

Prof. G. T. Flom lectured in the auditorium last night on "The Life and Meaning of Words." The lecture was not technical. It dealt with the general principles of semasiology and with words illustrating these principles.

"Word study" said Prof. Flom, "has a two-fold aspect. It may be studied according to form, or according to meaning. The changes in word meanings have not been accidental. A word is a symbol of a complex idea, as there have always been more ideas, than words to express them. So the different phrases of the complex idea have produced different meanings.

"Changes in the meanings of words occur in the same language as well as in different languages so one, who studies an older form of a language, must be sure that he always has the right shade of meaning. This is readily noticed in a study of Shakespeare. His 'honest ghost' was a real ghost. A difference in meaning in place, within the same language, produces dialect. Dialects are not corruptions of the standard language. They are its equal, and with it trace back to a common source.

"Cognate words, traced back to the original common stock, often show a complex transference of meaning.

"The methods of interpretation are: historical, dealing with phenomena explainable by past cultural conditions; moral-ethical treating of the elevation and degeneration in meaning of words, psychological, the view of Wundt, that association is the basis of all change; and logical which is really but a classification. Wundt claims, that the history of the change in meaning of words reflects the history of human conceptions as they are conditioned by the objects of one's environment and by the manifold changes that these have experienced.

"General processes of change are: specialization, in which the meaning is expanded; and transference, in which a different phase, of the complex idea of the word, is adopted."

Judges on Delivery

The judges on delivery for the home oratorical contest have been chosen and have signified their willingness to serve. They are Dean James R. Guthrie, Hon. Milton Remley, of Iowa City and the Rev. R. D. Marsh, of Burlington.

The home contest will be held in the opera house a week from next Tuesday.

The Baconian club meets tonight at 7:30. The paper will be read by Mr. Lambert on "Animal Grafting."

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Calendar for the Week.

March 7—Preliminary Debate, Hammond vs. Forum.
March 7—Meeting Iowan Board 1 p. m.
March 13—William Jennings Bryan, Armory, 8:00 p. m.

The Honor Men Win

In the current number of Popular Science Monthly is a very interesting article on High Grade Men: in College and Out, by Prof. Edwin G. Dexter of the University of Illinois. After carefully considering the subject, Prof. Dexter concludes that the high grade man of his college days is still high grade when put to the severer tests of active life. He reaches this conclusion by figures based on the twenty-two colleges who have had chapters of Phi Beta Kappa for twenty years or more previous to 1900. Who's who in America is taken as listing those who have made a success or attained high grade in their active lives and figures are taken from the edition for 1900. By comparisons of the total number of graduates of these colleges with the number of such graduates in Who's Who and between the total number of Phi Beta Kappa graduates and the number of Phi Beta Kappa graduates in Who's Who, it is found that the Phi Beta Kappa men have over twice as good

chances of being mentioned in Who's Who as the average of the college graduates.

In another table Prof. Dexter computes the number of first, second, third, and fourth place men of an eastern college who have attained mention in Who's Who and he finds the percentage of these to gain renown in life to be six times that of the class as a whole.

These figures should certainly prove consoling to those who have been honored by the faculty during their college courses and in light of the conclusions reached those who are elected to Phi Beta Kappa this spring need not feel that their whole life is blighted by this honor. No, the college man may study as hard as he wishes. He can't get enough high marks to keep him from success, no matter if he is very bright by nature.

Miss Harriet A. Wood, chief cataloguer in the State University of Iowa, has been called to be the librarian of the Cedar Rapids library, and has accepted the position. She will continue at the university until next autumn, finishing her year in the summer session. It is a source of regret to the university that she leaves it. This is the second time that Miss Wood has been called within the two years that she has been at the university.

Dr. W. L. Bierring, bacteriologist at the Iowa State University, has been finding a micro-organism which he believes to be that of typhoid fever, in the city water served to Muscatine. Exhaustive tests of the microbe and the water are to be further made. Muscatine has the disease strongly developed, and the issue of the researches is awaited with great interest.—Davenport Democrat.

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Locals

R. C. Morris D. '02 is enjoying an extensive practice at Leon,

John Fellingham, L. A. '00, was in the city for a few hours yesterday.

The sophomore Homeopathic class have elected O. W. Okerlin as their editor of the Junior Annual.

Judge McClain left yesterday for Champaign where he will act as one of the judges in the Indiana-Illinois debate Friday night.

The local chapter of Phi Delta Theta entertained yesterday Mr. William George, L. A. '83, of Aurora, Ills. Mr. George was the leading spirit in the founding of the chapter which took place in 1882. He is now president of the Second National bank of Aurora, Illinois.

Amusements

The Chase-Lister Theater Company will open a weeks engagement at the opera house, commencing Monday, March 9. The Chase-Lister Company are the leading western repertoire attraction, this making the 9th annual visit to Iowa City. The opening play for Monday evening will be, "Stricken Blind." Monday night two ladies or one lady and gent will be admitted on one paid 30 cent ticket.

"King Dodo" by Frank Pixley and Gustav Luders, will be the attraction at the Opera House next Friday, March 6th, and it can be recommended to the music lovers of this city as a performance most worthy of their patronage. "King Dodo" has been played with success in all the large cities of the country and has received unstinted praise for the company, authors and management. Patrons of the Opera House will do well to secure seats in advance as doubtless a record breaking audience will turn out on this occasion.

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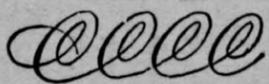
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Official Bulletin

All students, who expect to take a degree from the college of liberal arts at the end of the summer session, are requested to call at the office of the registrar at their early convenience.

The United States Civil Service Commission asks for the names of graduates who may desire to become candidates for positions in the civil service. The manual of examinations may be seen at the president's office.

The Engineering society will give its first annual banquet on March 19.

Miss Ethel Cruikshank of Leon, is visiting Miss Dot Stookey.

Erodelphian society aided by Irving will give a farce at St. Brendan's Hall, Saturday, Mar. 14, at 8:00 p. m.

Prof. Andrews is giving a series of lectures on Metallurgy of Iron to the senior and junior engineers.

The current number of the American Journal of Archaeology contains a short article by Professor Fairbanks. A comparison of an early Greek vase painting and sculptured relief gives evidence of the Goddess Athena which had not been known.

The Fraternity Assembly at Kenyon Hall this evening will last until one o'clock in order to enable those attending the opera to attend.

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